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Talks With Bronx Residents in Nostalgic Campaigning

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James B. Donovan, the Democratic candidate for Senator mixed politics with sentiment vesterday by visiting the house in the Mott Haven section of the Bronx where he was born 16 years ago.

Mr. Donovan, who now lives in Brooklyn, spent half an hour chatting with residents who remembered his father, the late Dr. John J. Donovan, who prac ticed medicine in the neighbornood for 47 years until his death 10 years ago.

The candidate's birthplace, a two-story red brock house at 413 East 139th Street, was Dr. Donovan's home for 50 years.

Mr. Donovan toured the south-

east Bronx in a ten car motor-cade led by a 44-year-old double-decked bus that once was used on Fifth Avenue.

Seated on the upper deck was a ten-man band of kilted Irish bagpipers, whose swirling tunes contrasted sharply with the Spanish salutations Mr. Donovan received in the area, which is heavily populated by Puerto Ricans.

Poses With Family

The tour through the Brons was billed as Jim Donovan's Day. At his birthplace, Mr. Donovan, standing on the steps of the old house, posed for pic-tures with his wife, the former Mary McKenna and with two aged aunts and an uncle, Mrs. Thomas Brown and Miss Mary Donovan of 3292 Hull Avenue, and Martin A. Donovan of 3015 Perry Avenue.
Mr. Donovan's brother, the

late State Senator John J. Donovan Jr., represented his Bronx district for six terms.

Mr. Donovan, who is oppos-ing Senator Jacob K. Javits rode in a car with Edward R. Dudley, Manhattan Borough President, who is running for State Attorney General, and John J. Burns, Mayor of Binghamton, the candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Donovan told a crowd of about 200 people outside the house, "I grew up here in this neighborhood. Over at St. Jerome's Church on Alexander Avenue my father was bap-tized. My father and mother were married there and my grandfather and grandmother were married there also."

New Occupant Invited Him The house is now occupied by Dr. Nicholas A. Saliani, who

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ate James B. Donovan Was Born here."

Mr. Donovan stopped at shopping centers in the Bronx while three girls passed out shopping bags with the legend: "Elect Jim Donovan U. S. Senator a Man of Ideas and Action."

Mr. Donovan's grounds were

Mr. Donovan's crowds were sparse but cordial at stops at 138th Street and Willis Avc-nue, 149th Street and Third Avenue, 162d Street and Pros-pect Avenue, McKinley Square and 161st Street and Gerard Avenue.

In brief talks, Mr. Donovan called for the election of a Democratic Senator who would give full support to President Kennedy.

Approved For Release 1999/09/1995 A+RDP75-00001R000200010116-7 house said: "Bronx County Announces with Pride the Demo-